

We are having nice fall
weather no frosts yet
Mrs Putnam enquires affectionately
after you all

Yours truly
C.C. Perry

PS
I found copy of Synop Fl Part 2
but without autograph L. So
I shall keep the latter.

Davenport Iowa Oct 5th 1885-

Dear Dr Gray Home again at last
busy in putting away loose things
arranging notes &c.

Greene sends me his papers
& promises specimens. Have
not yet taken time to examine
critically.

His new Pterostegia are clearly
P. microptera Bth which he does
not seem to know

He still seems sore over

Eritrichium &c &c

I get a short line from J. Hayden
announcing his return. and
hoping the republication will
soon go on, other matters to
be at-

I shall soon be taking up
Eriogonum of which I have
considerable material, as I think
I told you before E. salicinosum Nutt.
has not a regular whole involucre
but a series of spiral bracts, nearly
as distinct as Nemacaulis, on
which Nuttall based his genus
Stenogonum, if Nemacaulis is to
be kept up, and cannot properly
include E. salicinosum. I do not
see but Nuttall's genus must be
established. Though E. divaricatum
is a connecting species, with a
regular whorled involucre.

Then it is a serious question
whether Oxytheca can be kept
up on its own, as better than
a sub genus ? !

While on this point, you should
look again over Pringle's spring
plants, where one is certainly
passed over as Eriogonum?
but is quite a different
thing. A small scrap I brought
with me shows it to be a very
singular Manisperm, with inferior
ovary, two styles & imbricate corolla
the fact I should hardly know
when to put it, (Rubiaceae)?
but you will see at once when
you get your eyes on it

I hear nothing more of
Leavenworth but we shall see
him soon as he has relatives
here. Pringle writes in excellent
spirits, "Columbian rain" &c &c



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